

# Brevard County

## VOTER GUIDE

### 2024-25

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# 2024 Election Schedule

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## 2024 Presidential Preference Primary

**February 20:** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the Presidential Preference Primary

**March 7 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**March 9 - March 16:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**March 19 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

*PLEASE NOTE: Since the Florida Democratic Party only provided one candidate nominee, that candidate will not appear on the March 19th Presidential Preference Primary ballot. Therefore, only registered Republicans have a race to vote on in the March 19th Presidential Preference Primary election. All voters regardless of party registration are eligible to vote for President/Vice President in the November Presidential General Election.*

## 2024 Primary Election

**July 22 :** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the Primary Election

**August 8 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**Aug. 10 - Aug. 17:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**August 20 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

## 2024 General Election

**October 7:** Book Closing - last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for the General Election

**Oct. 21 - Nov. 2:** Early Voting at 10 locations throughout Brevard

**October 24 (by 5:00pm):** Last day to request to have a mail ballot sent to a voter

**November 5 - Election Day:** Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and voted mail ballots must be received in the Supervisor of Elections office by 7:00 p.m.

**Online Voter Registration - [VoteBrevard.gov](https://VoteBrevard.gov)**

# Voter Registration

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★ Voters must be registered at least 29 days before an election to be eligible to vote in that election.

★ Voter registration applications are available at the following:

- VoteBrevard.gov
- Supervisor of Elections 4 Administrative Offices
- Tax Collector Offices
- Public Libraries
- Public Assistance Offices
- Offices serving people with disabilities
- Armed Forces Recruitment Offices
- Centers for Independent Living

★ Florida is a closed primary state, only voters registered with a political party are eligible to vote in that party's Primary Election races.

- Note: All registered voters, despite party affiliation, may vote in non-partisan races and universal primary contests where all candidates are from the same party.

**Online Voter Registration - [VoteBrevard.gov](https://VoteBrevard.gov)**

# Voter Requirements

- ★ United States citizen.
- ★ At least 18 years old but 16 or 17 years olds may "pre-register" to vote.
- ★ May not have a current court judgment of mental incapacity.
- ★ May not be a convicted felon *unless rights have been restored*.

**Florida Voter Registration Application**  
Part 1 – Instructions (DS-DE 39, R1S-2.040, F.A.C. (eff. 10/2013))

**Información en español:** Sírvase llamar a la oficina del supervisor de elecciones de su condado si le interesa obtener este formulario en español.

**To Register in Florida, you must be:**

- a U.S. citizen,
- a Florida resident,
- at least 18 years old (you may pre-register at 16 or 17, but cannot vote until you are 18).

If you have been convicted of a felony, or if a court has found you to be mentally incapacitated as to your right to vote, you cannot register until your right to vote is restored.

**If you do not meet any ONE of these requirements, you are not eligible to register.**

**Questions?**  
Contact the Supervisor of Elections in your county:  
[dos.myflorida.com/elections/contacts/supervisor-of-elections](http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/contacts/supervisor-of-elections)  
Visit the Florida Division of Elections' website at:  
[dos.myflorida.com/elections](http://dos.myflorida.com/elections)

**CRIMINAL OFFENSE:** It is a 3rd degree felony to submit false information. Maximum penalties are \$5,000 and/or 5 years in prison.

**PUBLIC RECORD:** Once filed, all information including your phone number and email address as provided become public record except for the following which can only be used for voter registration purposes: your FL DL#, FL ID#, SSN, where you registered to vote, and whether you declined to register or to update your voter registration record at a voter registration agency. Your signature can be viewed but not copied. (Section 07.0585, Fla. Stat.)

**Where to Register:** You can register to vote by completing this application and delivering it in person or by mail to any supervisor of elections' office, office that issues driver's licenses, or voter registration agency (public assistance office, center for independent living, office serving persons with disabilities, public library, or armed forces recruitment office) or the Division of Elections. Mailing addresses are on page 2 of this form.

**Deadline to Register:** The deadline to register to vote is 29 days before any election. You can update your registration record at any time, but for a Primary Election, party changes must be completed 29 days before that election. You will be contacted if your new application is incomplete, denied or a duplicate of an existing registration. Your Voter Information Card will be mailed to you once you are registered.

**Identification (ID) Requirements:** New applicants must provide a current and valid Florida driver's license number (FL DL#) or Florida identification card number (FL ID#). If you do not have a FL DL# or FL ID# then you must provide the last four digits of your Social Security number (SSN). If you do not have any of these numbers, check "None." If you leave the field and box blank, your new registration may be denied. See section 07.053(8), Fla. Stat.

**Special ID requirements:** If you are registering by mail, have never voted in Florida, and have never been issued one of the ID numbers above, include one of the following with your application, or at a later time before you vote: 1) A copy of an ID that shows your name and photo (acceptable IDs—U.S. Passport, debit or credit card, military ID, student ID, retirement center ID, neighborhood association ID, or public assistance ID); or 2) A copy of an ID that shows your name and current residence address (acceptable documents—utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document).

The special ID is not required if you are 65 or older, have a temporary or permanent physical disability, are a member of the active uniformed services or merchant marine who is absent from the county for active duty, or a spouse or dependent thereof, or are currently living outside the U.S. but otherwise eligible to vote in Florida.

**Political Party Affiliation:** Florida is a closed primary election state. In primary elections, registered voters can only vote for their registered party's candidates in a partisan race on the ballot. In a primary election, all registered voters, regardless of party affiliation, can vote on any issue, nonpartisan race, and race where a candidate faces no opposition in the General Election. If you do not indicate your party affiliation, you will be registered with no party affiliation. For a list of political parties, visit the Division of Elections' website at: [dos.myflorida.com/elections](http://dos.myflorida.com/elections).

**Race/Ethnicity:** It is optional to list your race or ethnicity.

**Boxes:** Please check boxes ( ) where applicable.

**Numbered rows 1 through 7 and 12 must be completed for a new registration.**

**Florida Voter Registration Application**  
Part 2 – Form (DS-DE #39, R1S-2.040, F.A.C. (eff. 10/2013))

The downloadable/printable online form is available at:  
[register.vote.floridastate.gov](http://register.vote.floridastate.gov)

This is: ☐ New Registration ☐ Record Update/Change (e.g., Address, Party Affiliation, Name, Signature) ☐ Request to Replace Voter Information Card

**1** Are you a citizen of the United States of America? ☐ YES ☐ NO

**2** ☐ I affirm that I am not a convicted felon, or if I am, my right to vote has been restored.

**3** ☐ I affirm that I have not been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting or, if I have, my right to vote has been restored.

**4** Date of Birth (MM-DD-YYYY)  -  -

**5** Florida Driver License (FL DL) or Florida Identification (FL ID) Card Number  -  -  -  -  -  -  -

**6** Last Name  First Name  Middle Name  Name Suffix (Jr., Sr., I, II, etc.):

**7** Address Where You Live (legal residence-no P.O. Box) Apt/Lot/Unit  City  County  Zip Code

**8** Mailing Address (if different from above address) Apt/Lot/Unit  City  State or Country  Zip Code

**9** Address Where You Were Last Registered to Vote Apt/Lot/Unit  City  State  Zip Code

**10** Former Name (if name is changed)  Gender ☐ M ☐ F State or Country of Birth  Telephone No. (optional) (  )

**11** ☐ Email me SAMPLE BALLOTS if option is available in my county. (See Public Record Notice above) My email address is:

**Party Affiliation**  
(Check only one. If left blank, you will be registered without party affiliation.)

☐ Florida Democratic Party

☐ Republican Party of Florida

☐ No party affiliation

☐ Minor party (print party name):

**Race/Ethnicity (Check only one)**

☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native

☐ Asian/Pacific Islander

☐ Black, not of Hispanic Origin

☐ Hispanic

☐ White, not of Hispanic Origin

☐ Multi-racial

☐ Other:

**(Check only one if applicable)**

☐ I am an active duty Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine member

☐ I am a spouse or a dependent of an active duty uniformed services or merchant marine member

☐ I am a U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S.

☐ I will need assistance with voting.

☐ I am interested in becoming a poll worker.

**12** Oath: I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida, that I am qualified to register as an elector under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, and that all information provided in this application is true.

**SIGN/ MARK HERE**

**Date**

When completing the application, pay extra attention to the required fields, which must be completed for the registration to be valid.

The application must be signed or marked by the applicant; Power of Attorney cannot be accepted in place of the applicant's signature or mark.



# Update Your Voter Record

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- ★ It is important to keep your voter information up to date.
- ★ You may update your voter information at any time, but political party changes must be made by book closing, 29 days before the election, to be in effect for that election.
- ★ Name, signature, or political party changes must be submitted on a voter registration application, online, or a paper application.
- ★ Address updates may be submitted on a voter registration application, or by calling or emailing the Election Office.
- ★ You will need to provide your Florida Driver License or Florida ID card number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number for verification.

## Photo and Signature ID

When voting at the polls, you must present a current, valid ID with your photo and signature. You may present one or two forms of identification.

### Acceptable Photo ID for Florida Voters

- Florida Driver License
- Florida Identification Card
- Retirement Center ID
- Public Assistance ID
- Neighborhood Association ID
- License to carry a Concealed Weapon or Firearm
- US Passport
- Military ID
- Student ID
- Debit or Credit Card
- Veteran Health ID Card
- Government-Issued Employee ID Card

# Methods of Voting

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## 1 Vote-by-Mail Ballot

- Request your mail ballot by visiting [VoteBrevard.gov](https://VoteBrevard.gov) and clicking on the "Request Mail Ballot" icon on the home page.
- Mail ballots can also be requested by calling 321-633-2127.

You will need to provide:

- Your full name
- Date of birth
- Brevard County residential address
- Florida Driver License or Florida ID Card number or the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number



Your voted ballot should be signed and returned in the postage-paid return mail ballot envelope.

For voters wishing to drop off their voted mail ballots, Secure Ballot Intake Stations are available in the lobby of all 4 Supervisor of Elections administrative offices or at any of Brevard's 10 Early Voting sites.

Per Florida Law, voted mail ballots cannot be accepted at the polls on Election Day.

All mail ballot requests expired after the 2022 General Election as a result of a law passed by the Florida Legislature. New requests are valid for one general election cycle and if requested now are good through Dec. 31, 2024.

When a voter requests a mail ballot online, the identification entered is compared to the identification on file. If your record doesn't have a valid Florida Driver License number, Florida ID number, or last four digits of your Social Security number on file, you will need to provide that to our office for your request to be verified.

# Methods of Voting

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## 1 Mailing Dates



### Presidential Preference Primary - March 19, 2024

- February 2nd - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- February 15th - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- March 7th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

### Primary Election - August 20, 2024

- July 5th - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- July 18th - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- August 8th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

### General Election - November 5, 2024

- September 20th - Mass Mail of Military / Overseas (UOCAVA) Mail Ballots
- October 3rd - Mass Mail of Domestic Mail Ballots
- October 24th by 5:00 p.m. - Last Day to Request a Mail Ballot to be Sent

The deadline for a vote-by-mail ballot to be returned and received is no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. The ballot must be received by the Supervisor of Elections in the county of registration.

\* A 10-day extension exists only for overseas voters for the Presidential Preference Primary and General Election only.

# Methods of Voting

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## 2 Early Voting

**Presidential Preference Primary:** March 9 - March 16

**Dates:** **Primary Election:** August 10 - August 17

**General Election:** October 21 - November 2

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Voters wishing to Early Vote may do so at ANY Early Voting location.

### Locations

#### **Titusville Public Library**

2121 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville

#### **Scotty Culp Municipal Complex**

565 Cassia Blvd., Satellite Beach

#### **Titusville Elections Office**

400 South St., Suite 1-F, Titusville

#### **Wickham Park Community Center**

2815 Leisure Way, Melbourne

#### **Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium**

950 Kiwanis Island Park Rd., Merritt Island

#### **Max K. Rodes Park Community Center**

3410 Flanagan Ave., West Melbourne

#### **Dr. Joe Lee Smith Community Center**

##### **Gymnasium**

415 Stone St., Cocoa

#### **Tony Rosa Palm Bay Community Center**

1502 Port Malabar Blvd. NE, Palm Bay

#### **Ted Whitlock Community Center**

##### **at Fred Poppe Park**

**Viera Regional Community Center**  
2300 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne

370 Championship Cir. NW, Palm Bay

### What is a Provisional Ballot?

If your eligibility to vote cannot be verified at the polls, you will be offered a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot is the exact same ballot but the voter's eligibility to vote that ballot must be verified by the Brevard County Canvassing Board. The verification process starts with you inserting your voted provisional ballot into the provisional ballot envelope and then filling out and signing the form on the outside of the envelope. Upon completion of the form, you will receive the provisional ballot stub containing the number that corresponds to your envelope. With your number, you may track your ballot through the provisional ballot process online at [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov). The Canvassing Board reviews all provisional ballots for verification at a publicly noticed meeting. Verified provisional ballots are opened and tabulated after determination by the Canvassing Board.

## 3 Election Day

*You must vote  
in your precinct  
on Election Day!*

### Dates:

**Presidential Preference Primary:** March 19

**Primary Election:** August 20

**General Election:** November 5

**Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day**

★ Verify your registration status on [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov) or by calling 321-290-VOTE (8683)

★ You are encouraged to bring your Sample Ballot to the polls for reference

★ Bring a current and valid form of identification from the acceptable list of IDs (listed on page 4)

★ No photography is permitted in the polling room or early voting area, except for an elector's own ballot [F.S. 102.031(5)]






# Properly Mark Your Ballot

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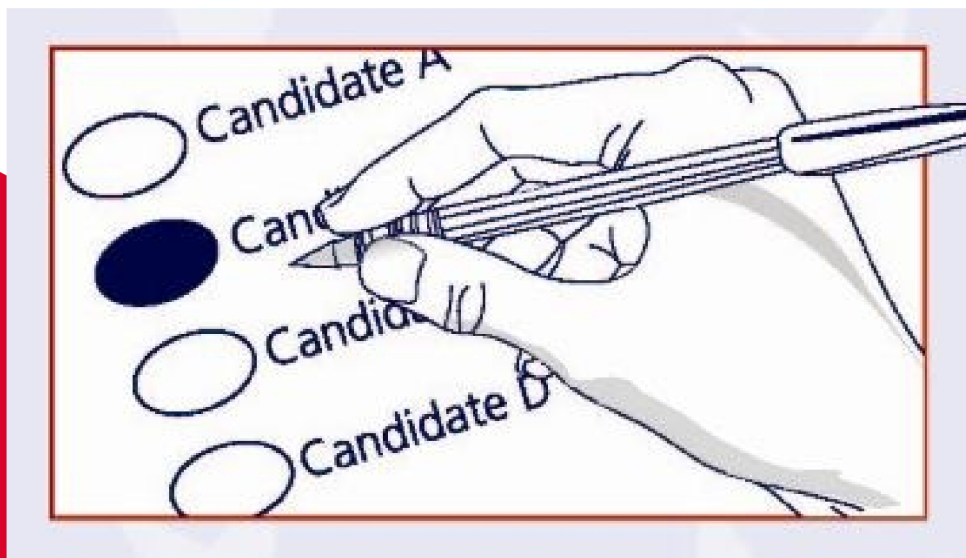
 Read the voting instructions at the top of your ballot.

Use a black pen to carefully fill in the  ovals next to your choices. *Do not circle the oval or the candidate's name instead of darkening the oval.*

 Remember, your ballot may contain multiple pages and have races/topics on both sides.

 It is okay to skip races.

 Do not sign your name on the ballot.





# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What voting equipment is used?**

Election Systems & Software (ES&S) DS200 optical scanners (tabulators) and ExpressVote ADA ballot marking devices are at all Early Voting and Election Day polling sites. High-speed, central count scanners, DS950s, are used to tabulate mail ballots. All voters in Brevard vote using a paper ballot.

## **Do I have to vote in all the races?**

No. The ballot scanner will count your votes in all of the races that you marked.

## **What if I vote for too many candidates in a race?**

If you're voting in person, the tabulator will alert you that you have "overvoted" and allow you to request a new ballot or cast the ballot anyway. If you cast a ballot with an overvote (*in person or by mail*), all races except the overvoted race will be counted.

## **Can I change my ballot once it has been cast?**

No. Once your ballot has been scanned and accepted by the optical scanner or your mail ballot has been deposited in a secure ballot intake station or received in the Elections Office, it cannot be retrieved or changed.

## **If I requested a mail ballot, can I change my mind and vote in person?**

Yes. Please bring your mail ballot to the polls and you will be asked to surrender it and issued an Early Voting or precinct ballot when you check in.

## **How do I know if my ballot has been counted?**

If you vote by mail, you can track your ballot on [VoteBrevard.gov](http://VoteBrevard.gov) to see when your voted ballot has been received and counted. When you vote in person, the screen on the scanner indicates that your ballot has been accepted.

# **VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (F.S. 101.031)**

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Each registered voter in this state has the right to:

1. Vote and have his or her vote accurately counted.
2. Cast a vote if he or she is in line at the official closing of the polls in that county.
3. Ask for and receive assistance in voting.
4. Receive up to two replacement ballots if he or she makes a mistake prior to the ballot being cast.
5. An explanation if his or her registration or identity is in question.
6. If his or her registration or identity is in question, cast a provisional ballot.
7. Written instructions to use when voting, and, upon request, oral instructions in voting from election officers.
8. Vote free from coercion or intimidation by elections officers or any other person.
9. Vote on a voting system that is in working condition and that will allow votes to be accurately cast.

## **VOTER RESPONSIBILITIES (F.S. 101.031)**

Each registered voter in this state should:

1. Familiarize himself or herself with the candidates and issues.
2. Maintain with the office of the Supervisor of Elections a current address.
3. Know the location of his or her polling place and its hours of operation.
4. Bring proper identification to the polling station.
5. Familiarize himself or herself with the operation of the voting equipment in his or her precinct.
6. Treat precinct workers with courtesy.
7. Respect the privacy of other voters.
8. Report any problems or violations of election laws to the Supervisor of Elections.
9. Ask questions, if needed.
10. Make sure that his or her completed ballot is correct before leaving the polling station.

## Visit **VoteBrevard.gov** for:

- Registration Status
- Requesting a Mail Ballot
- Early Voting Information
- Finding Your Precinct
- Current Election Information
- Sample Ballot
- Announced and Qualified Candidates for 2024 Election Cycle
- Election Results



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**Verify Before You Share**



**Preserving accurate, transparent and fair elections is not only the goal of this office, it should be the goal of every American. Misinformation and disinformation campaigns threaten that foundation. Please verify information before reposting. Voters are encouraged to visit [VoteBrevard.gov](https://VoteBrevard.gov), call 321-290-VOTE (8683), or follow my Facebook and X accounts to verify information and to receive accurate updates.**

***Thank  
you!***





**(321) 290-VOTE (8683)**

**[www.VoteBrevard.gov](http://www.VoteBrevard.gov)**

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Fax: (321) 633-2130

**Supervisor of Elections - Melbourne**

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Melbourne, FL 32935-5293  
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